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In re Application of: NORTEL NETWORKS LIMITED
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Title: VALIDATION OF A CONNECTION BETWEEN
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 12, 2004 in respect of the above-identified application, Applicant submits a Request for Continued Examination, accompanied by the required fee.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 18 of this paper.